



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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REGULAR MEETING

Monday, March 7, 2016

4:00 p.m.

C.J. Hurgin Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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TOWN CLERK

Present: First Selectman Knickerbocker, Selectman Richard Straiton, Selectman Paul Szatkowski, Commissioner Gualtieri and Commissioner Valenti. Also in attendance were, Public Works Director Douglas Arndt, Utility Supervisor Kelly Curtis, Town Attorney Martin Lawlor and Wright-Pierce Senior Project Manager Mariusz Jedrychowski, PE

Absent: Comptroller Kozlowski

Call to Order: First Selectman Knickerbocker called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input:

- 5 North Road – Dan LaMontagne regarding his properties sewer line. First Selectman Knickerbocker explained that the assessment is separate from the connection fees incurred by the homeowner. First Selectman Knickerbocker added 5 North Road to the agenda for the March 21st PUC meeting.
- 77-81 South Street – Peter Scott represented John Verdi, Owner. The Commission requested he get Planning & Zoning approval first for proposed project.
- 200 Old Hawleyville - Gary Lecates, 200 Old Hawleyville Road, had questions on how his sewer assessment was calculated. Comptroller Kozlowski never called after the last PUC meeting. Town Attorney Lawlor will speak with Comptroller Kozlowski.
- 49 Taylor Avenue – Neil Marcus represented Tim Draper, Owner. First Selectman Knickerbocker added 49 Taylor Avenue to the agenda for the March 21st PUC meeting.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to add Sewer Allocation Program Review under Old Business on the agenda. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Correspondence: First Selectman Knickerbocker distributed two news articles on water for the Commission's review.

Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting of February 1, 2016:

Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes of February 1, 2016, as presented. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Director's Report: Director Arndt reported the following:

- Water violation update on the Chestnut Ridge system. Flushing was increased. Test results indicate below threshold requirement.
- Eureka Tank is on track and on budget.
- Low pressure water violation from DPH on Briar Cliff Manor. Identified some solutions. Meeting to be scheduled with the DPH. Director Arndt will speak with homeowner.
- I & I Study – met with Weston & Sampson. Final report in April.

Old Business:

- **PUC Capital Project Status Summary:** Mr. Jedrychowski distributed a handout and reported the following:
 1. **Eureka Lake Water Tank:** Site contractor to resume work on March 21, 2016. DN Tanks is starting on April 4, 2016.
 2. **Hoyt's Hill Water Booster Tank:** Received comments from DPH and in process of drafting responses.
 3. **Maple Avenue Wells (#1 and #2) – Reconditioning Report:** Bid packages for construction of replacement wells and connection to the existing system submitted to DPH on February 26, 2016. Trying to expedite.
 4. **CT DPH Sanitary Survey Violations:** Additional responses are due on 3/29/16. Met with Director Arndt and Ed Knapp to discuss proposed responses.

Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to authorize Wright-Pierce to begin preliminary work for the Chestnut Ridge Tank. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

- **Sewer Allocation Program Review:** Commission discussed possible changes and set up a Public Hearing date.

Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to change page 5, 6th paragraph (and any subsequent iteration of said number) the upward limit of 5,000 gpd to 2,500 gpd. Also, page 8, Part 7 Authority change the Town of Bethel Rules and Regulations of the Sewer Department to the Bethel Public Utilities Commission Sewer Use Rules and Regulations. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to approve the Town of Bethel, Public Utilities Sewer Capacity Management Program, as amended, and set date of Wednesday, March 23, 2016 as the date for the Public Hearing at 7:00 pm in Meeting Room A. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Financial Reports:

- **Invoices:**

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Item #	Vendor	Inv. Date	Inv. #	Amount	% Complete	Description	Account
1	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103656	\$1,600.00	100% as of 1/29/16	Eureka - Bid Construction & Observation 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
2	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103657	\$1,945.00	55.3% as of 1/29/16	Eureka Tank Asset & Fiscal Management Plan 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
3	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103674	\$4,141.52		Maple Ave Wells Replacement Bid specifications for Maple Ave 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
4	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103675	\$2,000.00	11.23% as of 1/29/16	Maple Ave Wells Replacement Well field Design 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
5	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103669	\$1,141.48		PUC General Services - DPH Sanitary Survey Response 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
6	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103668	\$9,159.54		PUC General Services- CTDPH Funding Applications 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
7	Wright-Pierce #1024	02/12/16	103667	\$4,900.00	99.67% as of 1/29/16	PUC General Services- Sewer Allocation Review 12/26/15 to 1/29/16	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5313
8	Pennysaver	02/04/16	64879	\$299.00		Full Page Water Violation Notice	Water Dept. #0210160-5354
9	Rick Neller	02/11/16	5a	\$2,730.00		Eureka Lake Water Storage Tank Owner's Rep 12/1/15 to 2/11/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
10	LeClair Ryan #307	02/10/16	693404	\$483.00		City of Danbury Eureka Lake Storage Tank Through January 31, 2016	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
11	Weston & Sampson	02/16/16	454229	\$25,793.58		Infiltration & Inflow Study Through 1/29/16	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5306
12	D'Amato Construction	02/22/16	4	\$394,383.00	30.9% as of 2/9/16	Eureka Lake Storage Tank 12/11/15 to 2/9/16	Water Dept. #0210160-5313

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the invoices, dated March 7, 2016, in the amount of \$448,576.12, with discussion. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Town Attorney Lawlor informed the Commission of an issue with his billing system and he will be submitting multiple invoices at a later date.

Commissioner Valenti asked if Rick Neller has provided insurance documentation as requested. Director Arndt informed that Mr. Neller will provide documentation before going back on-site at Eureka Lake.

Engineering / Utility Consultant Report: Mr. Curtis reported the following:

- Main break at Fleetwood Avenue repaired.
- Sewer backup on Nashville Road repaired.
- Submitted a quote from Introl for Clark Park Pump Station 1 to update pump control box in the amount of \$10,975.00.

Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Knickerbocker, to approve the proposal, dated February 23, 2016, from Introl for Clark Park Pump Station in the amount of \$10,975 on the recommendation of the Superintendent, with the addition of schematic drawings to proposal. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Adjourn: *As there was no further business on the agenda, First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Vote: All in Favor, Motion Unanimously Approved.*

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Galbis, Recording Secretary